

SENATE WATCH

A summary of today's Senate actions; published daily when the Senate is in session.

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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

SB 206 (Johnson)

SB 206 is a bill to amend the Public Health Code to provide a definition of audiologist and licensing requirements. It would restrict the use of the term "audiologist" and the "practice of audiology" to persons authorized under this article. The bill sets the application fee for licensure at \$120. The annual licensing fee is set at \$150.

• The Senate concurred with the House changes to SB 206 [RC 216: 37 yes, 0 no]. Immediate Effect was given to the bill.

THIRD READING

SB 912 (Sanborn) SB 913 (McManus)

<u>SB 912</u> would amend the sentencing guidelines to make the guidelines conform to provisions in SB 913 regarding increased penalties for reproducing, altering, counterfeiting, forging, or duplicating MI personal ID cards. State Police and Secretary of State support this bill.

- Sanborn 1 (S-1) was adopted [no RC]. Technical changes.
- SB 912 was moved to 3rd Reading.

<u>SB 913</u> would increase penalties for reproducing, altering, counterfeiting, forging, or duplicating MI personal ID cards. Penalties match the current penalties for same offense related to driver's licenses. Penalties are on a sliding scale with the more severe penalties imposed in situations involving intent to use the forged or altered ID to commit a felony punishable by 10 years. State Police and Secretary of State support this bill.

- Committee 1 (S-2) was adopted [no RC].
- SB 913 was moved to 3rd Reading.

SB 1051 (Cropsey)

SB 1051 would make several amendments to the estates and protected individuals code. The code contains the laws relating to wills, trusts, the administration and distribution of estates of certain individuals, etc. This legislation would continue the process of keeping the law up to date and workable for practitioners, while

protecting the interests of individuals. For the most part, the amendments would resolve ambiguities and internal inconsistencies within the law.

- Cropsey 1 (S-1) was adopted [no RC].
- SB 1051 was moved to 3rd Reading.

HB 5307 (Van Regenmorter)

HB 5307 would provide procedures for trustees when administering an estate in separating principal from income. The bill would repeal the current, outdated act and replace it with the newer Uniform Principal and Income Act. The model act incorporates many of the existing provisions, but includes several new provisions that reflect changes in investment practices and that resolve conflicts with the Prudent Investor Rule.

• HB 5307 was moved to 3rd Reading. No amendments.

HB 5466 (Emmons)

HB 5466 would extend the length of delegated power of attorney powers in the estates and protected individuals code for individuals serving in the armed forces. The current length of delegated power of attorney for parents of a minor is 6 months. This bill would specify that if a parent or guardian is serving in the armed forces, a delegation of authority is effective until the 31st day after the end of deployment.

• HB 5466 was moved to 3rd Reading. No amendments.

RESOLUTIONS

SR 202 (Kuipers)

HR 202 would require the Michigan state Senate to begin each day with a pledge of allegiance to the flag of Michigan. The order of business of the Senate shall be as follows: 1) Call to Order. 2) Invocation. 3) Pledge of Allegiance (to the U.S. flag) and Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of Michigan.

- Committee 1 (S-1) was adopted [no RC].
- SR 202 was adopted [no RC].